

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, Friday, July 15, 1870.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment; President Don Campbell presiding. Roll called; quorum present.

Absent—Baker, Evans, Pridgen, Latimer.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Petitions and memorials:

By Senator Dohoney: Memorial of district clerk and others of Lamar county.

Read and laid over under the rules.

Report of Committee on Judiciary:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Austin, July 13, 1870.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom ~~was~~ referred Senate bill No. 34, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Western Texas Life, Fire and Marine Insurance Company of San Antonio," have had the same under consideration and instruct me to report the accompanying substitute for said bill, with the recommendation that it do pass.

M. PRIEST,
Chairman of Committee.

Senator Priest moved suspension of rules to consider report.

Rules suspended and report adopted.

Senator Priest moved further suspension of rules to adopt the substitute.

Rules suspended, substitute read and adopted.

Senator Priest moved its engrossment, and on further motion the rules were suspended and bill read third time.

Yeas and nays taken on final passage. Result as follows:

Yeas—Mr. President, Bell, Clark, Cole, Dohoney, Douglas, Flanagan, Ford, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Hertzberg, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Priest, Pridgen, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Shannon—23.

Nays—Bowers, Broughton, Evans—3.

Absent—Baker, Latimer.

Bill passed.

Report of Committee on Enrollment:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Austin, July 15, 1870.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of Senate:

Your Committee on Enrollment have examined and find correctly enrolled Senate bill No. 165, entitled "An Act making an appropriation for certain purposes," and to-day at 12 o'clock M. presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

B. J. PRIDGEN,
Chairman.

Bills and resolutions:

By Senator Fountain: "An Act to incorporate the Houston, Rio Grande and Great Western Railway Company."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Saylor: A bill to be entitled "An Act to change the boundary line of Burleson and Brazos counties."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

By Senator Dohoney: "An Act for the relief of the heirs of Syrus Robo, deceased."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Dohoney: A bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Paris, Texas."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Message from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Austin, Texas, July 13, 1870.

To the Honorable Senate of the State of Texas:

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully ask your advice and consent to the following appointment, to-wit:

John C. Chapman for brigadier general of militia.

Respectfully,
EDMUND J. DAVIS,
Governor.

Read and referred to Committee on Nominations.

By Senator Bell: "An Act to incorporate the Hempstead, Eastern and Western Trunk Railway Company of Texas."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Pickett offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate resolution requiring Senators absenting themselves from within the bar of the Senate to first obtain

leave of the President of the Senate, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Senator Pickett moved suspension of rules to consider resolution.

Yeas and nays taken.

Yeas--Mr. President, Bell, Clark, Cole, Dohoney, Douglas, Ford, Hall, Mills, Parsons, Pickett, Pridgen, Rawson, Ruby, Shannon---15.

Nays--Bowers, Broughton, Evans, Flanagan, Fountain, Gaines, Hertzberg, Pettit, Priest, Pyle, Saylor---11.

Absent--Excused, Senator Baker.

So the Senate refused to suspend the rules.

By Senator Pridgen: A bill entitled "An Act to amend article eight hundred and eighteen, chapter one, title one, part four, of the code of criminal procedure.

Read and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Gaines moved suspension of rules to take up House bill No. 297, "An Act to regulate the keeping and bearing of deadly weapons."

Rules suspended and bill read first time, and on motion of Senator Pickett was referred to Committee on Judiciary, with instructions to report on Wednesday, July 20, and the same be made special order for that day at eleven A. M.

Senator Ruby moved suspension of rules to take up Senate bill 55, "An Act to organize and define the powers of the Criminal District Court in and for the counties of Galveston and Harris, and prescribe the duties thereof."

The Senate refused to suspend the rules.

Senator Parsons moved the Senate take up House bill No. 139, "An Act authorizing the construction of a ship channel from Bolivar Point to the city of Houston.

Bill read third time.

Pending discussion, message from the House informing the Senate the House had passed House bill No. 242, "An Act to incorporate the Houston Real Estate and Banking Company."

Also, House bill No. 116, "An Act to reorganize the city of Indianola, in Calhoun county."

Also, House bill No. 323, "An Act to incorporate the Bayou City Bank."

The question recurring upon the House bill, No. 139, Senator Douglas offered the following amendment:

Section seven, first line, after the word "navigable," insert "from the Gulf of Mexico to the city of Houston."

After the word "navigable," in sixth line, insert "from the Gulf of Mexico to the city of Houston."

Amendment lost.

The hour for special order having arrived, Senator Parsons moved its postponement until the business before the Senate was disposed of.

Lost.

Senate went into executive session.

IN THE SENATE.

On motion of Senator Fountain the Secretary was instructed to inform the Governor of the action of the Senate in executive session.

On motion of Senator Fountain the rules were suspended and House bill No. 83, "An Act to incorporate the Washington Fire Company No. 1, of the city of Austin," was made the special order for to-morrow at half-past ten A. M.

On motion of Senator Douglas the Senate adjourned.